



# Illinois Department of Natural Resources

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Mr. Cliff Banks  
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**RE: Breakwater Structure and Dredging**  
**Office of Water Resources Permit**  
**Project Number(s): 1300214 (OWR 20125024)**  
**County: Bureau**

Dear Mr. Banks:

This letter is in reference to the above mentioned Office of Water Resources (OWR) permit application originally submitted on April 6, 2012. OWR consults with the Office of Realty and Environmental Planning in accordance with Title 17 *Illinois Administrative Code* Part 1075, the *Illinois Endangered Species Protection Act* [520 ILCS 10/11], the *Illinois Natural Areas Preservation Act* [525 ILCS 30/17], and the *Illinois State Agency Historic Resources Preservation Act* [20 ILCS 3420/4]. Consultation was originally completed on July 9, 2012 with no resource issues identified. However, consultation is only valid for two years and a new consultation was necessary for this project.

The natural resources review indicated a new record for the state and federally-threatened plant decurrent false aster (*Boltonia decurrens*) in the project vicinity. The area to be disturbed should be searched for this plant prior to the commencement of construction. While listed plant species are the property of the landowner, it would be beneficial to conserve the genetic material of the plant through translocation, seed collection, or stockpiling and replacing the surface soils containing the seed bank in any areas possible after construction is complete. For information on the life history and identification of this plant, please visit:


<http://www.fws.gov/midwest/endangered/plants/decurrentfalseaster/>. Further, be aware that written permission from the landowner should be obtained to disturb or relocate a listed plant. The Department understands that Cargill FSC owns at least portions of this property.

Consultation under 17 Ill. Adm. Code Part 1075 is terminated. This consultation is valid for two years unless new information becomes available that was not previously considered; the proposed action is modified; or additional species, essential habitat, or Natural Areas are identified in the vicinity. If the project has not been implemented within two years of the date of this letter, or any of the above listed conditions develop, a new consultation is necessary. The natural resource review reflects the information existing in the Illinois Natural Heritage Database at the time of the project submittal, and should not be regarded as a final statement on

the site being considered, nor should it be a substitute for detailed site surveys or field surveys required for environmental assessments. If additional protected resources are encountered during the project's implementation, you must comply with the applicable statutes and regulations. Also, note that termination does not imply IDNR's authorization or endorsement of the proposed action.

Please contact me at 217-524-0501 if you have questions regarding this review.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nathan Grider".

Nathan Grider  
Biologist  
Impact Assessment, OREP

cc: IDNR/OWR, Mark McCauley